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SUBJ: BICENTENNIAL INVITATION TO THALIA THEATER TO PARTICIPATE
IN WORLD THEATER FESTIVAL

1. IN JUNE 1974, BOY GOBERT, INTENDANT OF THE THALIA THEATER, HAMBURG, RECEIVED AN INVITATION FROM MR. ALEXANDER COHEN OF THE U.S. BICENTENNIAL WORLD THEATER INVITING HIM TO "EXPLORE THE FEASIBILITY OF THE THALIA THEATER PARTICIPATING IN THIS IMPORTANT CULTURAL EVENT".

2. GOBERT REPLIED POSITIVELY AND ENTHUSIASTICALLY LAST AUGUST AND EXPLAINED THAT SINCE HIS IS A REPERTORY COMPANY, HE MUST PLAN GUEST PERFORMANCES IN THE USA AT A VERY EARLY STAGE. HAVING RECEIVED NO REPLY, GOBERT WROTE COHEN AGAIN IN JANUARY INQUIRING HOW COHEN'S PLANS WERE ADVANCING AND SUGGESTING THAT THE COMPANY PERFORM SCHILLER'S MARIA STUART DURING THE FESTIVAL.

3. IT IS NOW THE END OF MARCH, AND COHEN HAS STILL NOT REPLIED. WE REQUEST THE DEPARTMENT CONTACT COHEN AND INQUIRE WHETHER HE STILL PLANS TO HOLD THE FESTIVAL AND INCLUDE IN IT A PRODUCTION BY THE THALIA THEATER.

4. ADVISE.BROGAN

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